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MEMORANDUM

January 30, 2009

TO: Representative Dave Kasten, Chairman
Committee Members of the Long-Range Planning Committee

FR: Ron de Yong, Director, Montana Department of Agriculture

CC: Senator Mitch Tropila
Representative Bob Mehlhoff
Jim Whaley, Bureau Chief, Department of Administration

RE: Long-Range Building Plan-State Grain Inspection Lab

Message:

I would like to apologize for the Montana Department of Agriculture not being represented at the last meeting of the Long-Range Planning Committee. The e-mail alerting us to the meeting was misread by staff. We did appreciate the testimony given by Senator Tropila and Representative Mehlhoff.

In lieu of the testimony, we are presenting the committee with the following priority list of needs:

1. New fire suppression sprinkler system	\$49,375
2. New flooring	\$15,675
3. Building insulation and roof vents	\$10,000
4. Move protein room	\$7,500
5. Interior remodel	\$71,250
6. Exterior siding-west & south	\$46,200
Total	\$200,000

The estimate figures above were gathered from the original proposal in the Architectural and Design Division.

I wish to emphasize that the most efficient and cost-effective way to accomplish this list of priorities is as one combined project.